GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
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WORLD BANK ASSISTANCE FOR POPULATION CONTROL
YOGI ADITYANATH

Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the World Bank has provided financial assistance for RCH Project for stabilization of population in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) the percentage of success achieved as a result thereof in the country;

(d) whether Government have requested the World Bank to provide more financial assistance for the purpose; and

(e) if so, the response of the World Bank in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE (SHRI A. RAJA)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. World Bank funded RCH Programme was launched in 1997 for strengthening the Primary Health Care System, the details of funds provided for the programme by World Bank are as under:

Year	Funds provided (In Million US $)
1998-1999	3.45
1999-2000	39.47
2000-2001	22.80
2001-2002	68.22
2002-2003	22.41

(c) The Crude Birth Rate (CBR), Infant Mortality Rate (IMR) and Total Fertility Rate (TFR) have improved during the period 1996-2000 as indicated below:

Year/Indicator	CBR	IMR	TFR
1996	27.5	72	3.4
1997	27.2	71	3.3
1998	26.5	72	3.2
1999	26.1	70	3.2
2000	25.8	68	N/A

(d)&(e): Yes, Sir. Government has requested the World Bank to provide assistance for the successor phase of the RCH Programme during 2003-08 period. The response of the Bank is awaited.